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Applicant: Hiroshi Kondo et al.

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD  
FOR PREVENTING AN  
ERRONEOUS OPERATION AT  
THE TIME OF DETECTION OF  
A SYSTEM FAILURE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2004, please amend the  
application as follows: